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1. Operational Data:

a. Type of missions flown:

Students and instructor pilots of the Royal Hellenic Air Force flew their P-33 (jet trainer) aircraft a total of 331:45 hours during the month of April 1953. The average flying time for the five aircraft flown was 66:21 hours. The highest flying time on one aircraft was 78:45 hours. The incommission rate for the month was 53% with 19% out for maintenance and 28% AOOP out of commission for lack of parts 7.

Special missions:

There were no special missions flown during the month of April 1953.

c. Factors governing flight time for the month:

The flying time for the month of April 1953 was short of the goal of 380 hours by 48:15 hours. The primary jet pilot training, with transition and instrument fly: 3 continues.

2. Maintenance and Repair Data:

a. Factors giving "in-commission" or "availability" status:

(1) During the month all the sectioned flight line mechanics were transferred with the exception of the Line Chief. This has had an adverse effect on the servicing of the aircraft. During the month of April 1953, two inspections of all T-33 aircraft were initiated. Inspection of all brakes for proper assembly center carrier linings facing the piston side of the brake. Inspection of all wing flaps for proper rigging. A dead stick landing was made in 580-5808 as a result of smoke in the cockpit from a defective wing tank fuel switch.

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(2) Work has started on 580-5288 at Hassani. The aircraft has been out of commission for 15 months and will require more re-work than was originally anticipated. No commitment can be made at this time (6 May 53) as to when the repairs can be completed. The repair of this aircraft will give the RHAF valuable experience in the repair of jet aircraft.

3. Special Activities:

There were no special activities during the month of April 1953.

Accidents:

There were no accidents at this activity during April 1953 involving T-33 air-

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